Departments and Voluntary Organisations. Based on the goals set in the World Summit, the Working Group has prepared a Draft National Programme of Action on Children which covers areas of health and nutrition of children, maternal health, education, safe drinking water and improved access to sanitary means of excreta disposal.

Express Train between Madras and Pondicherry

4271. SHRI K. RAMAMURTHEE TINDIVANAM: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the express train running between Madras and Pondicherry *via* Villupuram has been cancelled;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the time by which the train is likely to be restored?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) due to lack of traffic justification.

(c) does not arise.

Trains Cancelled in Orissa

4272. SHRI SRIKANATA JENA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the trains cancelled during the last three years in Orissa;

(b) the reasons for cacellation of those trains; and

(c) whether the Government propose to restore them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) 2 NG/3 NG Naupada-Gunupur Passenger.

(b) Poor patronisation.

(c) No, Sir.

Construction of Women Schools/ Solleges and Hostels in Rural Areas

4273. SHRI SHANKARRAO KALE: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to provide financial assistance for the construction of buildings for womens' schools/colleges and hostels in rural areas; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) and (b). There is no scheme in this Ministry for providing assistance for construction of buildings for womens' schools. However, University Grants Commission provides, *inter-alia*, financial assistance to womens' colleges including those located in rural areas, for construction of class rooms, libraries, womens' hostels, teachers hostels etc. as a part of development assistance during a plan period. 100% grant is provided for the construction of womens' hostels and grant for womens' colleges and colleges located in rural areas is sanctioned in relaxation of the eligibility conditions of student enrollment and teachers strength.

Sports Hostels

4274. SHRI HARISH NARAYAN PRABHU ZANTYE: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of sports hostels in the country and since when they are functioning;

(b) whether these hostels are set up to impart training to young sportsmen and athletes to improve their performance; and

(c) the extent to which the purpose has been achieved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENTS OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT) (KUMARI MAMATA BANERJEE): (a) At present there are 17 sports hostels of Sports Authority of India functioning in the country since the inception of the Sports hostel scheme i.e. 1986. A Statement showing dates of establishment of Sports hostels and the disciplines included, is attached.

(b) and (c). Yes, Sir. The purpose of the Scheme has been Partly achieved since sportspersons under the Sports hostels scheme have achieved laurels in National and International levels. They have won 60 Gold, 47 Silver and 54 Bronze medals in various disciplines for individual and Team events, at various levels.

STATEMENT

Sl. No.	*Name of the Hostel*	*Date of Establishment*	*Sports Disciplines*
1	*2*	*3*	*4*
SOUTHERN REGION:			
1.	Bangalore	16.04.1986	Athletics, Boxing, Football, Hockey, Swimming and Judo
2.	Secunderabad	01.11.1987	Athletics, Badminton Boxing, Volleyball, Gymnastics, Football, Lawn Tennis.
3	Madras	20.06.1991	Athletics, Football, Hockey, Boxing.
4.	Calicut	07.09.1991	Athletics, Badminton, Volleyball.
NORTHERN REGION:			
1.	Bhiwani	11.11.1986	Athletics, Boxing, Volleyball, Wrestling.
2.	Chandigarh (Girls)	01.06.1989	Athletics, Badminton Basketball, Volleyball, Hockey, Table Tennis, Lawn Tennis
3.	Bilaspur	31.03.1987	Athletics & Volleyball
NORTH-EAST REGION:			
1.	Guwahati	30.03.1987	Athletics & Football.
2.	Dimapur	10.07.1987	Volleyball & Football
3.	Imphal	21.11.1987	Athletics, Badminton Cycling, Gymnastics, Hockey, Swimming, Table Tennis.

Sl. No.	*Name of the Hostel*	*Date of Establishment*	*Sports Disciplines*
1	*2*	*3*	*4*
WESTERN REGION:			
1.	Kandivali (Bombay)	01.09.1989	Athletics, Volleyball, Wrestling & Hockey.
2.	Goa	01.06.1987	Athletics, Volleyball, Football, Swimming.
3.	Gandhinagar	31.03.1987	Athletics, Gymnastics, Hockey, Swimming, Wrestling.
EASTERN REGION:			
1.	Cuttack	26.03.1987	Athletics, Basketball, Volleyball, Football, Gymnastics, Wrestling.
2.	Calcutta	23.01.1989	Athletics, Football, Gymnastics, Hockey, Archery.
3.	Siliguri	01.05.1990	Athletics, Football
	CENTRAL REGION:		
1.	Alwar	29.01.1987	Athletics, Basketball Volleyball & Wrestling.

Aid to IITs from Abroad

4275. SHRI RAM VILLAS PASWAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the annual aid received by the IITs from abroad stating the aid received at the end of 1991;

(b) whether there is unabated brain drain from the IITS;

(c) if so, the annual estimated migration of professionals from the IITs;

(d) the average annual expenditure incurred by the Government on a student of IITs;

(e) whether in view of the continuous brain drain and heavy expenditure being incurred on the students, Government propose to review the utility of IITs in relation to the benefits derived by the country; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) Except for project based bilateral programmes with institutions abroad, no annual foreign aid is received by the IITs

(b) and (c). As per the report of the IIT Review Committee of 1986, about 20% graduates go abroad.

(d) The average expenditure per student as estimated by IIT Directors for the year 1989-90 for undergraduate is Rs. 52,000/-, for post-graduate Rs. 77,000/- and for Ph. D. Rs. 98,000/-.